IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.S.RADHAKRISHNAN
&
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANTONY DOMINIC

WEDNESDAY, THE 20TH JUNE 2007 / 30TH JYAISHTA 1929

WP(C).No. 6808 of 2007(I)

PETITIONER:

THE TRAVANCORE DEVASWOM BOARD,
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY, NANTHANCODE,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

BY ADV. SRI.M.K.CHANDRA MOHANDAS

RESPONDENTS:
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1. STATE OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY
THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

2. THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF LAND REVENUE, SECRETARIAT,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

3. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR,
COLLECTORATE, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

4. THE N.S.S. KARAYOGAM NO.2147,
SREEKANDESWAROM, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,
REPRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY, SREEKANDESWAROM,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER SRI.SANDESH RAJA

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 20/06/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

K.S.RADHAKRISHNAN & ANTONY DOMINIC, JJ.

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Dated this the 20th day of June, 2007

J U D G M E N T

Radhakrishnan, J.

Heard standing counsel for the Travancore Devaswom Board and the learned Government Pleader.

2. Reference was made to Ext.P10 letter written by the Government to the Secretary, Travancore Devaswom Board wherein it has been stated that Government have given strict instructions to the District Collector, Thiruvananthapuram to expedite action in compliance with the direction of the Hon'ble High Court in the judgment dated 11.8.2003 in DBA No.2/03. Travancore Devaswom Board was directed to take further necessary follow up action with the District Collector, Thiruvananthapuram for the recovery of the Devaswom Land.

3. Counsel appearing for the Travancore Devaswom Board submitted that the Board has preferred Ext.P13 letter dated 18/4/06 to the District Collector. However, no action has been taken so far by the District Collector.

4. In the circumstances, we are inclined to dispose of the writ petition with direction to the District Collector, the third respondent herein to take note of Ext.P10 communication of the Government as well as Ext.P13 letter and take appropriate action in accordance with law within a period of two months, with notice to the parties.

Writ petition is disposed of as above.

K.S.RADHAKRISHNAN, JUDGE.

ANTONY DOMINIC, JUDGE.

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